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by Dick Townsend-Smith

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2nd Fri: Slade Hall, Pendrell Street, 6pm  
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THE following meetings take place at the Town Hall, Wellington Street, unless stated otherwise.

April 11 - Licensing sub committee C, 6pm.  
Best Value Review Team - Personalisation of Adult Social Care, 7pm.  
April 17 - Cabinet, 7pm.

More information on 020 8921 5130 or [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings)

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We reserve the right to edit any letters received.

## Make sure that you can vote

LOCAL elections are being held across England on May 3, 2012, and now is the last chance for everyone to ensure they can take part in these important elections by registering to vote by Wednesday, April 18. Our research shows that 44 per cent of people who are not registered to vote mistakenly believe they are. Those particularly at risk of losing the chance to have their say are people who have moved house since last autumn, and younger people. Registering to vote is a simple process. Go to [www.aboutmyvote.co.uk](http://www.aboutmyvote.co.uk) and print off a registration form (which is also available by contacting the local authority electoral services department). At local elections anyone aged 18 and over can vote if they are a British, Irish, qualifying Commonwealth or European Union citizen - and are on the electoral register by April 18.

**Adrian Green,** regional manager, London and South West, Electoral Commission  
● FIND out more at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/elect](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/elect)

## No point having the laws if dogs are allowed to run free



MY wife took our great grandchildren children into Avery Hill Park on Saturday, March 10, where she noted that dogs were off leads and as a result two young large Labrador dogs ran at and jumped all over our great grandchild aged two and a half, causing him much stress. Are we to wait until another child is seriously injured or dare I say killed by an out-of-control dog? Perhaps we need to display more signs in the park, drawing the need to keep dogs on a lead. On this occasion the woman in charge of the dogs seemed unconcerned and carried on speaking on her mobile phone. No good introducing by laws if they are not policed or enforced. We have always had

dogs and have derived much pleasure from owning them. We do not at present have a dog as at our age we could not afford to give it the exercise needed for a healthy animal.  
**Stan Vincent, Eltham**

● Thank you for your letter, I'm sorry that your grand children have been distressed by your

recent experience in the park. When the Royal Borough introduced Dog Control Orders in November 2009 some parks, including Avery Hill, were designated as 'dog friendly' parks. In these parks owners are allowed to exercise their dogs off the lead. All parks are regularly patrolled by enforcement officers who may require someone with a dog to keep it on a lead if it is causing a nuisance. Enforcement officers may also issue fixed penalties to deal with breaches of the orders. The café at Avery Hill is run by a private operator who has a policy of not allowing dogs to run off-lead around the café premises. The Royal Borough of Greenwich will arrange for additional enforcement patrols to be carried out in Avery Hill Park to monitor the situation. Ed

## Offenders could be horse pooper scoopers

FOLLOWING on from recent letters about police horse droppings, I live along the route taken by the mounted

police on their way to Charlton Athletic home matches. We are regularly treated to the sight and smell of the foul

mess left behind on the roads. How about this for an idea? If the police cannot clear it up, why not make offenders on

community service follow behind the horses and pick it up with giant "pooper scoopers"?  
**J. Inman, Blackheath**

## Is Coronet right for the Galleon?

IF they are still looking for a new use for the Coronet Cinema at Eltham, would this perhaps make a nice live theatre for the Galleon Company?

**David Culver, Eltham**

OUR Star Letter writer will win two tickets to a Charlton Athletic match at The Valley, so get writing! For information on the latest ticket offers please visit [www.cafc.co.uk](http://www.cafc.co.uk) or call 0871 226 1905.



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# BMX-factor!

The Olympic sport taking off in the host borough

**THE** proof was in the numbers - scores of kids turning up over three days of the holiday to zoom around the royal borough's BMX tracks.

"This is one of the best BMX tracks. It's used as an Olympic training track," said Jay Gilley, who was at Hornfair Park with his sons Kai, nine, who goes to Gordon primary school in Eltham, and four-year-old Dylan.

"Kai is in the Greenwich BMX club and I'm hoping to start Dylan soon. A few dads are running the club and we're hoping to build it up. We come down here every Saturday, start about 9.15 with the young ones and have the more experience riders in the afternoon.

"I loved it when I was a kid but it all died out. Now we've got one of the best tracks in London, and I'm like a kid again!"

Kai, in body armour and pads, said: "I love BMX. I played football but there was too much running around.

"I'd like to compete in the Olympics one day."

The holiday scene was managed at Hornfair Park, Horn Park and Royal Arsenal Gardens by the royal borough's targeted youth support team.

Manager Bernie Bristow said: "We're using the track to

by Peter Cordwell

promote BMX as an Olympic sport and give young people the benefit of using Olympic legacy facilities that are now all over the borough.

"This track was built at the end of last summer and there is a voluntary club being set up that meet here on Saturdays.

"Team Extreme, a national BMX and skateboard organisation that trains young people on the skills of the sports, are here to teach how to use the track, including the safety aspects of riding, wearing helmets and pads and how to look after their bikes.

"We brought some of our own bikes for those children who didn't have one so they could still have a go and benefit from a great day.

"Young people take to this sport naturally but it's great to have that extra incentive of being an Olympic sport. You never know what talent you might unearth."

There was also a youth activity van that could be used for music mixing and access to the internet. Advice and information was also available on various youth issues.

● **FIND** out more at [www.greenwichbmx.org](http://www.greenwichbmx.org)

THE UPS AND DOWNS OF BMX: on track, above, and below, nine-year-old Kai Gilley thinks it's a great Olympic sport

## Borough BRIEFS

Don't forget to register to vote by April 18

RESEARCH shows that 44 per cent of people who are not registered to vote wrongly assumed they were.

People who have moved house were mostly at risk of not being on the electoral register.

Now the Electoral Commission is urging people to ensure they are registered to vote in time for the Mayor of London and London Assembly elections on May 3.

The drive is being run with the catchphrase 'It's your vote, don't lose it' which features in a national multi media campaign.

The commission's campaign is being backed by the Royal Borough of Greenwich and advisers will be in General Gordon Square explaining who is eligible to vote and the voting process from 10am to 12pm on Wednesday, April 18 - the deadline for voter registration.

The deadline to register for a postal vote is 5pm on April while the deadline to register for a proxy vote is April 23.

For more information on the elections through the London Elects Twitter, Flickr, Youtube and Facebook pages or visit [www.londonelects.org.uk](http://www.londonelects.org.uk)

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# Just blow it out

by Grace Lipski

**TWENTY-FOUR** thousand people were given advice and information about giving up smoking during the latest campaign by NHS Greenwich.

Specially-trained advisers were available at the nine-week stop smoking roadshow at locations across the royal borough.

Forty-a-day smoker Breda visited the roadshow van at Asda in Charlton. She told GT: "I would have liked to quit on my own but lacked will power. One of the advisers explained the different treatments and after discussing my options and trying a couple of them I found a solution."

Having not smoked for over seven weeks, Breda offered these words of advice: "I hope other people will see that if I can quit after over 40 years of heavy smoking, they can do it. Since I quit my breathing is clearer, food tastes better and people say I look healthier. Quitting is the best thing I've ever done, the team are great, and I couldn't have done it without them."

Amanda Layng, Greenwich Stop Smoking service manager, said: "This year's campaign has been a great success with the slogan 'Make This the Last Time'. It has inspired many smokers to get support by visiting our roadshow. Over the nine weeks we've had 500 smokers set a quit date after they were given impartial help and advice. Around 140 smokers were referred to their local GPs and pharmacies."

She added: "Due to an overwhelming demand this time around we've set up drop-in clinics around the borough to provide additional support. With our free help and guidance smokers are four times more likely to quit so it's never too late!"

● Free Stop Smoking drop-in



**clinics are taking place across the borough. To find out more and to get information about further support call 0800 587 5833 or visit [www.the-last-time.co.uk](http://www.the-last-time.co.uk)**

**ROADSHOW RECRUIT:**  
a man takes a breath test at a Stop Smoking roadshow event last month



## Experts highlight dangers of fruit-scented tobacco

THE dangers of smoking shisha are being highlighted by health experts after an increase in its popularity.

NHS Greenwich and the Royal Borough of Greenwich are leading a joint initiative to make people aware of the health dangers and the laws linked to tobacco sales.

The royal borough is monitoring all shisha lounges and

identifying retail premises that are selling shisha products as part of the initiative.

Shisha is a fruit-scented tobacco smoked through an ornate water pipe. Shisha bars have begun opening up across the borough and local evidence suggests it is becoming increasingly popular - particularly amongst young people. But health experts are concerned that many people are under the false impression that shisha is a safer alternative to cigarettes.

Wendy Elcome, health improvement principal at NHS Greenwich, said: "Shisha tobacco is highly addictive and in reality, shisha smoking has been linked to the same kinds of diseases as cigarette smoking including

heart disease, cancer, respiratory disease and problems during pregnancy."

Cllr Peter Kotz, the cabinet member for health, adults, and older people for the Royal Borough of Greenwich, said: "We want young people to make an informed choice. Shisha's popularity is increasing and there is concern that it could provide an easy route for young people to start smoking."

NHS Greenwich and the Royal Borough of Greenwich are also working together to crack down on the sale of counterfeit cigarettes which often contain more tar, nicotine and carbon monoxide than found in regular cigarettes. The sale of cheap, unregulated tobacco, packaged as well-known brands as well as the sale of single cigarettes outweigh the financial benefits of quitting which is one of the biggest motivators for smokers.

● NHS Greenwich is encouraging anyone who wants help to stop smoking shisha or any other tobacco product to call the NHS Greenwich Stop Smoking Service on 0800 587 5833 or text QUIT to 60060

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## Tour guides mark 25 years

THE Greenwich Tour Guides Association has successfully navigated a quarter of a century of historical service. The guides are based at the Greenwich Tourist Information Centre, and take visitors and locals on two walks daily. The association was formed in 1987 by Fred Sage who worked on the river and in retirement turned his attention to a subject that had always fascinated him – local history. He was supported by the council, and when he saw the need for tour guides, a training course for local history tourist guides was set up at Greenwich Community College. Mr Sage was the course tutor until 1993. The course was a great success and continued to run on a regular basis until 1998. He died in 2005.

● Two walks take place daily from the tourist information centre at 12.15pm and 2.15pm and last 90 minutes.

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## Corelli leads the way in linking Games to life

# The signs are looking good!



by Peter Cordwell

IF ever a project proved that the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games are a lot more than just watching sport on television, it's the Signs of Change "creative activism" at Corelli College.

The project was designed to inspire young people to express their ideas about the social and environmental impact of the Games on them personally and on their communities.

Not only that but to bring about "real change" through bringing six local primary schools together to share the work and creativity.

Arts college manager Shermaine Slocombe told GT: "The project started with a 'champion summit' when a group of six young people and teachers met at a secret location in London to receive a mission from an astro-scientist who has been watching the impact of climate change from space."

Pupils from the six primary schools involved - Charlton Manor, Cherry Orchard, Cardwell, Plumcroft, Sherington and Kidbrooke Park - are working with Corelli and Greenwich-based Emergency Exit Arts (EEA) to become eco-champions and discover how creative exploration can generate tangible changes.

Corelli is a member of

the London 2012 education programme 'Get Set' and got a Big Lottery grant for the second stage of the project, which entails each school working with artists to design and make a large-scale public artwork big enough to share their eco-action with the wider community - and big enough to be seen from space!

The mission for each school is to improve their carbon footprint and create a more sustainable school. Twenty-five students from Corelli College have gained specialist training to act as mentors to the eco-champions. They received training in youth leadership and campaigning with

highly-skilled artists in youth engagement.

All of the schools involved will share their eco-actions and dialogue in an online blog called 'signs of change', <http://planning.signsofchange.tumblr.com/>

LOCOC chair Seb Coe said: "Members of the Get Set network, like Corelli College, are brilliant advocates for London 2012 - demonstrating what a positive difference linking learning to the Games can make to young people."

WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS: Corelli College students, staff and pupils from local primary schools start the 'Signs of Change' project at the college in Kidbrooke. Below, an eco-themed drama project

● FIND out more from Shermaine Slocombe on 020 8331 3968 or email [sslocombe@corellicollege.org.uk](mailto:sslocombe@corellicollege.org.uk)





# In the running!

## Mayor Jim's marathon team gets set for race

**THIS year's London Marathon will start as usual at Blackheath but will be the first under the auspices of the Royal Borough of Greenwich.**

It will be an historic moment when Royal Greenwich Mayor Jim Gillman starts the fun runners from Greenwich Park on Sunday, April 22.

"It will be a very proud moment for everyone in the royal borough," Cllr Gillman told GT. "The London Marathon has a special place in the hearts of our residents and visitors, and I'm sure the 32nd London Marathon will live long in our memories."

Eight runners will be raising money for the mayor's charity, the Greenwich and Bexley Community Hospice.

One of them is Teresa Lloyd, who last ran the Marathon in 2006 and is treating the event as a way to both raise money for a good cause and as a springboard to improve her own health.

She told GT: "Since running the marathon in 2006 my fitness levels have waned and my weight has gone in the other direction. I have been known to have a cake in one hand and a cigarette in the other!"

"After being given a place in the marathon this year I have focused on increasing my fitness level and improving my health by giving up smoking. It's week four and going well!"

"Knowing you are raising money for such a worthy cause really keeps you going when you get to about mile 20."

Since the inception of the race in 1981, over £450 million has been raised for charities worldwide, including a record breaking £47.2 million in 2009 alone.

• Donations should be sent to the Mayor's office, Town hall, Woolwich, SE18 6PW. Or donate online by visiting [www.virginmoneygiving.com](http://www.virginmoneygiving.com) and search Greenwich and Bexley Community Hospice.



ON YOUR MARKS: Mayor and a pair of runners in Charlton

### RACE ROAD CLOSURES

THE following roads were expected to be closed between 7am-12noon on Apr 22: Charlton Way, Shooters Hill Road, Charlton Road, Little Heath, Charlton Park Lane, Artillery Place and John Wilson Street. These roads are expected to be closed between 7am and 2pm.

The following roads are also expected to be closed: Grand Depot Road, Ha Ha Road, Hillreach, Old Dover Road, St John's Park, Trafalgar Road and Vanbrugh Park.

The Greenwich Foot Tunnel will be open but closed north to south between 10.30am and 12.30pm. Expect queues. For more details visit [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/marathon](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/marathon)

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## Change on the buses

A NEW temporary bus will run to Queen Elizabeth Hospital during the Olympic test events for the shooting events starting next week.

There will be changes to bus services and some roads will be closed off when the test events start in Woolwich from Monday (April 16).

The Royal Borough has been working to ensure that Transport for London and Games organisers LOCOG have listened to concerns from local residents, and that people will still be able to get to and from the Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

Woolwich Barracks will be hosting the Olympic shooting, Paralympic shooting and Paralympic archery for the Games, and the test event will run until May 7.

This means that several bus services will be diverted because Ha-Ha Road and Repository Road will be closed. The changes will affect routes 161, 178, 291, 386, 469, 486 and will be in place for the test event.

On the days that both Ha-Ha Road and

Repository Road are closed, route 161 will not serve Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Instead a new, temporary service - route 561 - will operate between Chislehurst and Queen Elizabeth Hospital's west entrance. This service has been laid on in answer to concerns from residents in Eltham, Mottingham and Chislehurst. All other routes will continue to serve the hospital via the west entrance. The timetable for the changes is:

• Between Sunday, April 15 until Saturday, April 28:

Ha-Ha Road will close from April 15 and Repository Road from April 16. Route 161 will be diverted via Academy Road and will not serve Shooters Hill Road, Baker Road, Stadium Road or Ha-Ha Road. It will not stop at Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Route 561 will provide a link between Chislehurst and Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Routes 178, 386 and 469 will operate via Academy Road and Shooters Hill Road and will not serve Ha-Ha Road. They will continue to serve the bus stop at the west entrance to Queen Elizabeth Hospital via



# Zoe's our champion

**Model role for  
weightlifter..but  
no arm wrestling**

by Dick Townsend-Smith

**THE royal borough's top weightlifter made a really strong impression when she visited Greenwich Community College.**

Zoe Smith looks odds-on to be part of Team GB this summer, but has still found time to be the college's first "champion", acting as a role model for its students.

The 17-year-old from Abbey Wood met up with 70 students on sports and leisure courses at the Eltham Centre and answered their questions - as well as telling them about her astonishing career and tough training regime.

"I miss not having chocolate and all the nice stuff, because I'm a girl!" she said. "My diet is all high-protein, and I can't eat potatoes or pasta. I can't go to pubs or clubbing either, because of my training. This is a bit disappointing to me, but I need to carry on with it."

"My mum and dad got me into all sorts of sports to stop me becoming fat and lazy. I'm a sort of accidental success. I started by doing gymnastics, but they needed someone who looked strong for weightlifting. I picked up the weights and I was OK with them. At college the boys wanted to arm-wrestle me, but I'm a girl and still just a normal person."

Zoe then presented certificates to some of the students for their achievements, and signed autographs.

The visit thrilled everyone who met her. Bobby Brown, 17, who is studying sports science, told GT: "She is pretty inspirational, and I liked hearing about



**MUSCLES:** Greenwich Community College students get to grips with their 'champion', Olympic weightlifting hopeful Zoe Smith

her career progression - she got to the top very early." Danielle Miller, 18, who is on a sports and exercise science course, said: "It was very interesting hearing what she has to do in her day-to-day life and all the sacrifices she has to make."

Bryan Ortiz, also 18, who is on a football course, said: "Zoe is amazing, and helps us see what it's possible to achieve. I'm looking forward to seeing her again."

● **GREENWICH Community College is holding an open evening at the Eltham Centre on Thursday, April 19, between 6-8pm, where people can check out the courses on offer**

## for 2012 test events

Baker Road.

● **Between Monday, April 16 until Saturday, April 28:**

Route 291 will be diverted via Academy Road, Shooters Hill Road and Baker Road and will not serve Repository Road or Artillery Place. It will continue to stop at the west entrance to Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Route 486 will divert via Cemetery Lane and will not serve Repository Road, Hillreach and Little Heath.

● **Between Sunday, April 29 until Monday, May 7:**

Ha-Ha Road will remain closed but Repository Road will re-open. The diversions on routes 161, 178, 469 will change. These routes will run as normal at Queen Elizabeth Hospital then via Repository Road, Artillery Place and Wellington Street. They will not serve Ha-Ha Road, Grand Depot Road and the southern end of Woolwich New Road. Route 561 will no longer run; Route 386 will continue on diversion, and Routes 291 and 486 will return to normal service.

John Barry, head of network development

for London Buses, said: "Bus services will be an essential part of keeping London moving during the 2012 Games and TfL is working hard to keep disruption to a minimum. The test event at the Royal Artillery Barracks will help us make sure we have the right changes in place for that event and we will be monitoring their effectiveness. Engagement with the community has been invaluable in helping us understand their needs."

However, the royal borough is concerned that the proposed shuttle bus will cause confusion for residents and would prefer the 161 to run albeit along a slightly diverted route to ensure it still goes past the hospital. It will be monitoring the shuttle bus during the test event to see how the public react to the proposals.

Please let us know your views on [greenwich.time@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:greenwich.time@greenwich.gov.uk) or write to Greenwich Time, The Woolwich centre, Wellington Street, SE18 6HQ.

● **The changes will be publicised at the stops affected and on TfL's website at [www.tfl.gov.uk/buses](http://www.tfl.gov.uk/buses)**

### Don't miss out on your chance of a Games Time job!

Application sessions

- Cleaning
- Hospitality roles
- Catering
- Customer service

Venues

**GLLaB**, Old Library, Calderwood St, SE18 6QW.  
Tuesdays 09.30 - 12.00.  
Wednesdays & Thursdays, 09.30 - 12.00 & 13.30 - 15.30

**Clockhouse Community Centre**, Woolwich Dockyard, SE18 5QL.  
Wednesdays & Thursdays, 09.30 - 11.30.

**ARC**, 34-6 Grovebury Road, SE2 9BB  
Monday & Fridays 09.30 - 12.00 & 13.30 - 15.30

**Eltham Centre Library**, Archery Road, SE9 1HA  
Tuesdays 10.30 - 13.30

**GLLaB Work & Learn Centre**, 3 Green Place, North Greenwich, SE10 0PE  
Fridays 9.30 - 12.00 & 13.30 - 15.30

**Please bring along a copy of your CV with you. If you don't have one, we can give you advice on how to prepare one.**

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## Borough BRIEFS

### Hosepipe ban

RESIDENTS are being reminded of a hosepipe ban which came into force last week. The ban, issued by the government on April 5, has been introduced because of low water reserves following low rain fall. It includes not watering grass, lawns and the use of sprinklers or fountains. Alongside, car washing, recreational use such as filling pools, and hosing down pavement areas. Anyone who doesn't adhere to the ban may be prosecuted and receive a fine up to £1000. Water-saving tips from Thames Water include installing a water-efficient showerhead and only using dishwashers and washing machines on a full load. Visit [www.thameswater.co.uk](http://www.thameswater.co.uk)

### 1,000-plus visit homes show

MORE than 1,000 people visited a homes show for tenants wanting to get on the property ladder. The FIRST STEPS Affordable Homes Show was held at the Old Royal Naval College last month attracting 1,150 people from 659 households. The FIRST STEPS service provides first time buyers with a single point of access to affordable homes which are being promoted by a range of housing providers in partnership with the Royal Borough of Greenwich. Last month's show also included legal and financial experts who offered advice on a range of home ownership schemes which help people in rented accommodation to buy their own homes. For further information visit [www.firststepslondon.org](http://www.firststepslondon.org) or call 0845 230 8099.

### Thames Barrier Jubilee closure

THE Thames Barrier is closing for the day for its annual test on Sunday June 3 – coinciding with the river's Diamond Jubilee Pageant.

It will be shut to normal navigation to allow a flotilla of 1,000 vessels to travel along the Thames in celebration of The Queen's 60-year reign.

The barrier closes each month to test it is working properly. But once a year a full test closure is performed at high tide, and gates are closed for several hours for technical checks to be carried out. These will begin at about 9.30am on June 3, and end at about 11.30pm.

### Bluecoat pupils on science trail

SCIENCE was the name of the game at the Firepower museum when nearly 40 students from Blackheath Bluecoat School paid a visit as part of National Science and Engineering Week last month. Museum staff told them about the science of gunnery, which involves chemistry, physics, and trigonometry, and the history of the Royal Artillery Gunners. They learned how gunpowder was developed, and other aspects of the history and science of weaponry. Pupils also did drill and PT, and learned about the life of a gunner in the 21st century.

# Speakers cornered!

## Students triumph at public speaking contest

by Dick Townsend-Smith

**WHEN student Ester Bukoye starts talking, people sit up and listen.**

For Ester has just scooped the top prize in a public speaking competition held at Corelli College, which attracted entrants from every school in the royal borough.

The 15-year-old from Thomas Tallis school won the Greenwich regional final of the Jack Petchey's Speak Out Challenge! Her speech 'Benefit Thieves', fought off fierce competition from 17 other young speakers. She was presented with a trophy, an iPod touch and a chance to go through to the challenge's grand final in July.

Twelve local schools took part in the young speakers competition, involving more than 325 Year 10 students. They had all been on a day's training in public speaking and effective communication.

Triumphant Ester said: "It was an amazing experience." Her father David was overjoyed with his daughter's speech and said: "I really think this is encouraging the children and gives them confidence and belief in themselves. It prepares them for the future."

The judging panel at the



WINNING WORDS: Winner Ester Bukoye with the Mayor, Cllr Jim Gillman

event included the Mayor of Royal Greenwich Cllr Jim Gillman, Greenwich MP Nick Raynsford, and TV critic Garry Bushell who said: "Thoroughly enjoyable, with some impressive, coherent speakers ranging from entirely serious to the more witty performers."

Second place went to

Christina Ashworth, 15, from The John Roan School with her speech 'A simple message'. Third place went to Anthony Harris, also aged 15 from Woolwich Polytechnic School with his speech titled 'Dreams'.

The event was organised by the Speakers Trust, the UK's leading public speaking

training charity. The Jack Petchey Speak Out Challenge! is the biggest public speaking event of its kind in the world. Now in its seventh year, more than 20,000 Year 10 students are expected to compete for over £15,000 worth of prizes in this year's final.

● For further details visit [www.speakoutchallenge.com](http://www.speakoutchallenge.com)

## New brochure lists adult summer courses

SCORES of courses for adults are listed in a new brochure published this week. The latest edition of the Greenwich Learns Adult Learning Brochure 2011/12 includes information on a huge range of part-time courses. They're offered in partnership by Greenwich Community College, Ravensbourne, City Lit, the National Construction College, Community Systems and Flower Skills.

Courses offer local people the chance to gain new skills, qualifications, experiences and opportunities, and can help jobhunters get the skills and experience they need to find a job.

The new brochure also includes courses which give participants the chance to pursue leisure interests.

Subjects covered include improving your skills and employment opportunities in business, construction and DIY, digital media, languages, creative arts, health, catering & hospitality, horticulture and many more.

Some price concessions will be available for residents on reduced incomes, while 'basic skills' or 'skills for work' courses are usually free.

Cllr Denise Hyland, the Royal Borough of Greenwich's cabinet member for regeneration, enterprise and skills said: "Adult learning is a fantastic way for residents to bolster their experience and skills, and ultimately enhance their opportunities to find employment that's right for them."

"We all know that the current economic climate is difficult and challenging. So our programme of regeneration is designed to deliver new jobs, homes and opportunities for local people."

"I encourage all residents to look at what's on offer, including the new courses and sign up to extend their existing skills or learn a new one!"

Anyone interested in Greenwich Learns is also encouraged to look out for news of Adult Learning Week, taking place this May. More information can be found on display throughout the Royal Borough's libraries later this month.

● Details of the courses on offer, as well as other helpful links, are available online at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/adultlearning](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/adultlearning)



# No wonder they like it when they Bike It

A ROYAL Borough of Greenwich primary school pupil scooped the top prize in a national cycling safety badge competition.

Ravisan Singh-Perfitt, who attends Thorntree primary school in Charlton, won first prize for her cycling badge design in the 7 to 9-year-old category and will receive a brand new Raleigh bike.

Sustran 'Bike It' project, funded by Transport for London, ran the national competition earlier this year to design a cycling badge.

Royal Greenwich, which has 12 schools participating in the 'Bike It' scheme, also set aside local prizes for the best badge designs from competition entrants in the borough.

Three further children



JUST TAKE A LOOK AT ALL OF OUR PRIZES: excellence all round at Thorntree primary school

- Kaleigh Comber, Tolu Duckworth-Essilfie, both of Windrush primary school, and Nogos Isnarauskas, who also goes to Thorntree

- received Rayleigh bikes as winners of the Royal Greenwich 'Bike It' campaign. The prizes were presented

in a special 'Bike It' school assembly hosted by Anna Hughes, a professional cyclist who cycled around the coast of mainland Britain in 72 days.

Cllr Jackie Smith, cabinet member for children and young people, said: "I would like to congratulate all the winners of this wonderful competition. This is a massive achievement for all and they have won some wonderful prizes."

"The Royal Borough is committed to giving children and young people education in cycling, road safety awareness alongside the health benefits of cycling and exercise".

● FIND out more by emailing [cycle-training@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:cycle-training@greenwich.gov.uk)

## Borough BRIEFS

### Games-time travel tips for business

A SERIES of workshops and drop-ins are being held this month to help businesses devise travel arrangements during the London 2012 Games.

The Olympics which run from July 27-August 12 and the Parlympics from August 29- September 9 are likely to affect staff, deliveries and customers in the royal borough.

The events have been organised to help businesses prepare and include workshops to give an overview of the transport impacts in your area and drop-in sessions where business-owners can speak with a team of experts about the local impacts of the Games in their area. The next workshops are on April 23 from 9.30-11.30am and from 1-3pm at the Tfl Offices, 14 Pier Walk, Greenwich SE10 0ES. To register visit [traveladviceworkshops.eventbrite.com](http://traveladviceworkshops.eventbrite.com) A drop-in session is being held on April 30 from 10am to 4pm at the Discover Greenwich Visitor Centre at the Old Royal Naval College, Greenwich, SE10 9NN.

### Thank you letters from Lord Coe

LOCOC chair Lord Coe has written to thousands of residents living near Greenwich Park.

Around 7,400 letters have been sent out by first-class post to homes and businesses around Greenwich Park which is hosting both equestrian and modern pentathlon events for the London 2012 Games.

In it he says: "I know there will be some disruption to Greenwich Park, the town centre and possibly your street over the next few months, and that for many of you this will have a very personal impact. But I hope you feel it is worth it for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. We have worked extremely hard to minimise the impact the Games will have, and we have listened to residents' concerns throughout."

He adds: "When the Olympic and Paralympic Games take place this summer, athletes and spectators from around the world will be able to visit Greenwich and experience the welcome of its people and the beauty of its attractions. I would like to thank you sincerely for your cooperation and support, and very much hope you will enjoy the Games."

### Showcase of the Philippines

THE Greenwich Filipino community is planning special independence celebrations which will also mark the new Royal Borough of Greenwich, the Queen's Jubilee year and the Olympics. The event, dubbed the Flores de Mayo 2012: Philippine Cultural Celebration, will showcase Filipino traditions and culture. It takes place from 10am on May 26 in General Gordon Square and includes a parade through the town centre. The Greenwich Filipino Community was organised to bring together Filipinos who live or work in the royal borough to celebrate and share culture and tradition with the wider bigger community of Greenwich.

# Working wonders

More jobs for locals as heart of Woolwich takes shape

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It is part of the wider regeneration of Woolwich that will provide an exciting new centrepiece for the town centre.

Tesco developer Spenhill has a policy of using local workers and many of the jobs created on site have been filled by local people through the Royal Borough of Greenwich's local job brokerage scheme, Greenwich Local Labour and Business (GLLaB).

When it opens in November the new Tesco store will generate up to 400 jobs to boost the local economy.

Graham Haydon White, Spenhill's development manager, said: "Our aim for all our developments is to boost the local economy during the construction phase and beyond. By providing new high quality homes and a range of services for local people, Woolwich Central will play a key role in enhancing the local area."

Woolwich Central is set to give a huge boost to Woolwich because of its easy access to rail, the DLR and the ferry, as well as Crossrail, which is due to open in 2018.

Cllr Denise Hyland, cabinet member for regeneration, economy and skills of the Royal Borough of Greenwich, said: "Woolwich Central is at the heart of the regeneration of Woolwich town centre and it's good to see that local people are already benefiting from jobs that are being created by the scheme."



GOING UP: the construction site in Love Lane, and inset, an artist's impression of how it will look when finished



# Are you interested in a career in Sports, Fitness, Leisure, Travel & Tourism?

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**Thursday 21 June**  
**6.00pm - 8.00pm**

**London Leisure College, Eltham Centre, 2 Archery Road, SE9 1HA**

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We are now recruiting for September so come along and have an informal chat with our team of tutors who can help you choose the right course for you.



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### TAXI SERVICES FOR THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH

THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH IS SEEKING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FROM APPROPRIATELY QUALIFIED COMPANIES TO PROVIDE A RANGE OF TAXI SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO A MAXIMUM OF FOUR YEARS,

**For Transportation of Special Educational Needs Children.**  
**This contract will be awarded to several providers who are qualified and can demonstrate previous experience in the field.**

Provision of a Taxi/Minibus/People Carrier Service, for transporting approximately 250 Special Educational Needs Children to their various schools and day care centers. There are currently 70 routes, made up of 33 routes inside the borough, 28 routes inside the M25, and the remainder further afield. Routes are subject to change as service dictates. Due to the vulnerable nature or age of the children receiving transport many of the routes will have a requirement for trained escorts to accompany them. In addition, some will require specialised vehicles with tail lifts or ramps and capacity for wheelchairs.

A comprehensive taxi service without escorts to transport passengers to various locations both inside and outside the borough for Children's Services Department based in the Woolwich Centre. This category may occasionally have an emergency requirement.

**Please go to the following link to express your interest and complete your online PQQ.**

<https://www.localgovsourcing.co.uk/web/login.shtml>, click on 'suppliers' and then 'current' and follow the links. You must register to participate.

It is intended to hold an open session on Tuesday 17th April 2012, at 10.30am in the Public Hall (Rear of Town Hall), entrance via Market Street Woolwich, SE18 6PW to outline requirements of this electronic tender process. Please email [glynis.ford@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:glynis.ford@greenwich.gov.uk) to advise how many seats you will require, should you wish to attend.



### Expression of Interest: Contract No: CS120076 Careers Information and Education Advice and Guidance Service (CIEAG)

The Royal Borough of Greenwich is seeking an experienced and suitably qualified partner to deliver effective and dynamic Careers Information and Education Advice and Guidance (CIEAG) for young people in a number of secondary schools. Young people should have access to a high quality service that caters for a broad range of needs. The service will also be required to track outcomes of young people leaving school and report on these in a timely way to commissioners. The service must enable the Royal Borough and its schools to meet its statutory obligations (details provided through the link below).

The Contract will run from 1 September 2012 - 31 August 2015. The initial contract is for 2 years with the option to agree a 12 month extension, subject to the availability of funding and contract performance.

Funding of between £300,000 and £350,000 per annum is available for 1 September 2012 - 31 August 2014. Bidders will be asked to set out what they will deliver to meet specified outcomes as part of the tender process.

Potential providers should be aware that Transfer of Undertakings Protection of Employment (TUPE) may apply.

To express your interest in tendering for the contract and to receive a copy of the draft service specification, please follow the link below:

<http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/tenders>

Or email directly to [Childrens-Services-Procurement@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:Childrens-Services-Procurement@greenwich.gov.uk)

The deadline for expressions of interest is 25 April 2012. Invitation to Tender Questionnaires will be issued by 26 April 2012 with a closing date for completion of 25 May 2012.





## Locals' big dig for their community garden

ROYAL Greenwich residents got their hands dirty in the Nightingale Community Garden in Woolwich again on as part of the London-wide Big Dig volunteering event on March 17.

Local residents were helping to prepare the garden for the new growing season, which

opened its borders to everyone in an attempt to attract more volunteers.

In 2010, the garden won an award for its creative use of recycled materials. The space has become a focal point where local people come together for events, to share knowledge around gardening

skills and share healthy eating ideas and recipes.

Cllr Rajwant Sidhu, the council's cabinet member for Greener Greenwich, said: "The Nightingale Community Garden is a prime example of how such a space can be a focus for the community and bring people of all ages and

backgrounds together. It's great to see so many residents volunteering their time to make Royal Greenwich even greener."

● If you want to get involved with the Nightingale Community garden, call Welcare on 020-8854 3865.



SPECIAL STUDENTS:  
Mark, Kayleigh and  
Jessica with the  
Mayor, Cllr Jim Gillman

# They chose to do the right thing...

## Gala night for students nominated by teachers

**YOUNG people who are shining examples for the way in which they face personal challenges have been given a big thanks at a gala evening.**

The event was the royal borough's 14th annual 'Do the Right Thing' awards, held in the Great Hall at Eltham Palace. A total of 59 students, who had been nominated by their teachers, were presented with certificates and £30 shopping vouchers by the Mayor, Cllr Jim Gillman.

Four of them were singled out for special praise, and received £75 vouchers.

Kayleigh Clarke, 17, was nominated by tutor Elizabeth Trappe from the Negus 6th Form Centre, who said: "Kayleigh is a young woman who makes a considerable contribution to a number of organisations within her community, and is involved in the Children in Care Council, Greenwich Young Persons' Council and the UK Youth Parliament.

"She organises events, visits local care units and actively pursues changes in areas such as activities for young people. Kayleigh's contribution to the community is outstanding and deserves

by Dick Townsend-Smith

recognition." Kayleigh added: "Winning this award has been a great incentive to continue doing work in my community and to try to do even more. It's really nice to be acknowledged with this award."

Special award-winner Jessica Kelly, 14, from the John Roan school, was nominated by deputy head teacher Claire Flynn, who said: "Jess is a real credit to the school and to her mother. Sadly, Jess's father passed away when she was in year 8. But Jess remained focussed and totally committed to her education. Now in year 9, she is a stalwart of the prefect team.

"She shows visitors round, assists at school functions and continues to play in sports teams and concerts whilst still working hard in lessons. Jess is an excellent role model for other students and a huge asset to the John Roan school."

Jessica added: I'm really chuffed at receiving this award".

The other special winners were Mark Davis, 15, from St Thomas More in Eltham, who plays the organ at his local church and coaches other pupils, and Jack Light, nine, from Timbercroft primary in Plumstead, nominated for remaining focussed and smiling while undergoing a difficult medical regime.

**'Winning this award has been a great incentive to continue doing work in my community and to try to do even more'**

## Borough BRIEFS

### Bowel cancer awareness tips

PEOPLE over 60 who have been sent a bowel cancer screening test are especially invited to an awareness day this weekend. It's Bowel Cancer Screening month and people aged 60-69 who haven't completed their test can get more information about using it and sending it back. The event is being run by Greenwich Primary Care Trust which says Woolwich has a particularly low response. Advisers will be in General Gordon Square this Saturday, April 14 from 10am to about 4pm. Other visitors can also get an explanation on how to use the kit and have their questions answered by specialist nurses from the Queen Elizabeth Hospital. There will also be the chance to talk to people successfully treated after bowel screening. If you cannot make it to the event but have questions, contact your GP for an appointment or call the NHS Bowel Cancer Screening Helpline on 0800 707 60 60.

### 300 enjoy health day activities

AROUND 300 people gathered in Thamesmead Town centre to find out how they could improve their health on World Health Day. Residents took part in African drumming and dancing, Tai Chi, Zumba and chair-based exercise classes, as well as enjoying free massages and smoothie-making. There were also 25 stalls manned by health service providers from both the Royal Borough of Greenwich and neighbouring Bexley. World Health Day is celebrated on

April 7 to mark the anniversary of the founding of the World Health Organisation in 1948. The Thamesmead event on March 24 was the third and was organised by Trust Thamesmead and Thamesmead Health and Wellbeing Partnership Forum. Royal Greenwich Mayor Jim Gillman, who helped to launch the day, said: "It was an honour to welcome so many residents to such a important event, as we all need to take our health seriously."

### Staff happiest working for Oxleas Trust

HEALTH service staff have voted their local health trust as the best place to work in London and the South East. The Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust provides mental health and learning disability services in the Royal Borough of Greenwich and two other London boroughs. In a national survey, staff also voted it the best NHS trust in the country for providing these services. Around 250,000 NHS staff were invited to take part in the survey, including 800 Oxleas staff who were selected at random.



**RESPONSIBILITY** for improving and protecting people's health is moving from the NHS's Primary Care Trust (PCT) to Royal Greenwich next April as part of a nationwide shake-up. The royal borough already has a long history of getting actively involved in public health and supports a range of high-quality public health programmes and services that are helping people to get fitter and healthier...

**M**EN and women in the royal borough are living longer by improving their lifestyles and getting fitter and healthier.

Men are living an average of nearly two-and-a-half years longer than they were five years ago, while women are now living an average of more than nine months longer.

The increase in life expectancy is being put down to greater awareness of healthier lifestyles encouraged by a range of special public health programmes which promote exercise, healthy eating and well-being in the royal borough.

In the last year, Greenwich has:

- Increased the life expectancy of local men and women. In the last five years an extra 2.3 years of life have been added for men and 0.9 for women. Men are now catching up with women, and are predicted to live to an average age of 77.2 years while women will live until they are 82.3 years
- Had 146 fewer deaths than in the previous year
- Exceeded targets for flu vaccinations for people over 65, achieving the highest level across South East London
- Carried out the highest number of health checks in the capital, with more than 11,000 taking place in the first nine months. IN total since the start of the programme over 20,000 have had a health check
- Supported thousands of people to make healthy lifestyle changes through services offered by the Greenwich Healthy Living Service

The royal borough has also had the highest success rate ever in helping people quit smoking. One in every two people who set a quit date successfully gave up smoking with help from PCT professionals.

Dr Hilary Guite, Director of Public Health for Royal Greenwich, said: "Transferring



public health to the royal borough will allow a stronger focus on understanding and acting upon the broader, social issues that determine health, such as poverty, education, housing, employment, crime and pollution. It will also strengthen the approach to improving health overall, adding to the successes that are already being achieved."

She added: "The main changes that are taking place next April are not just about promoting better health, but also protecting people's health from preventable disease including communicable diseases such as tuberculosis, and cancers that can be prevented by screening."

"We are already working with family doctors, and their practice teams who are inviting people into the surgery to give advice to people who might be at risk from heart attacks, strokes, respiratory disease, alcohol, diabetes, depression, cancer and to over-65s who might be at risk from falls."

"Teams are visiting GPs' surgeries, halls and community centres, supermarkets and shopping centres along with the Greenwich Healthy Living Service (GHLiS) Outreach bus, and they are doing extremely well. As a result, there have been some fantastic improvements."

"We are on track with a very ambitious five-year programme to close the health gap between men and women and bring us back to where we should be."

Cllr Peter Kotz, the royal borough's cabinet member for health, adults and older people, said: "We are looking forward to getting more involved in helping to improve the well-being of all our residents, young and old, and playing a more active role in encouraging healthier lifestyles."



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# Charge as life!

## Just what the doctor ordered

• A campaign called Eat Better, Start Better is underway in Royal Greenwich's children's centres, designed to combat child obesity. Commissioned by the National Food Trust, it is working with families, showing how best to buy and prepare healthy food. Help is available for people to make small changes that make big differences to their health and well-being. To find your local children's centre visit [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/childrenscentres](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/childrenscentres)

• MEND is a programme designed for parents, carers and children together, supporting families to be more physically active, improve their diets, and eat healthier. It is run from Greenwich Leisure Ltd (GLL) sports and recreation centres, and involves a family weight management programme which gives support to parents and children to work together to achieve a healthier weights. Details at [greenwichhealthyliving.nhs.uk](http://greenwichhealthyliving.nhs.uk)

• THE Greenwich Healthy Living Service (GHLiS) offers a range of free healthy lifestyle support services which help people who want to help themselves by giving up smoking or eating healthier. Charlton Athletic Community Trust is also involved, and the PCT has commissioned them to provide advice and work closely with GPs to refer people to the GHLiS so they can get individually-tailored solutions. People can find out more at [greenwichhealthyliving.nhs.uk](http://greenwichhealthyliving.nhs.uk) or 0800 587 5833.





# The puppet masters!

**WATCH** out Wallace and Gromit - you've got competition...

It comes in the shape of a lad who just loves books. But Henry's not your average bookworm - he devours literature - it's his staple diet. No metaphors here - he actually EATS books.

As part of the children's theatre festival at Greenwich Theatre, Bootworks presented *The Incredible Book Eating Boy*, a truly memorable show.

It's the kind of theatre that makes you feel really special...prive to the attentions of five performers as the **ONLY** audience member.

The pitch-black booth doors were slammed shut before three windows were opened up to reveal an incredible array of mixed media performance. From the big-nosed star, Henry, to the masked faces of the busy cast it was a psychedelic palette of green, green grass, pink skies and leather-bound books.

It wasn't really aimed at big kids like me, but like all the most well-executed children's entertainment it worked on many levels.

We're so used to watching 2D screens that when the illusion was broken and the players and their cartoon faces crossed the boundary into the box, it was quite a shock. There were titters from outside as I reeled and rocked like

a frightened cat after having confetti hurled into the viewing booth.

I was annoyed when I heard the next viewer laughing with joy at the same point...

After a far-too-short five minutes the performance was over, even including its own credit roll.

And as I watched another wannabe child take to the booth, the performance from the outside was just as good. It was as well-choreographed as any West End musical, as puppeteers reloaded slides, closed windows and reset projections to keep the seamless and fast-paced action inside the box zipping along.

When Henry had tired of his papery diet, he switched over to brain food - and actually started reading the books he had previously munched.

The 30-plus performances that Bootworks stomped through in one day went some way to explaining the well-oiled military slickness of the operation.

And while it might have been too much for the senses of children under eight, for big kids it was perfect.

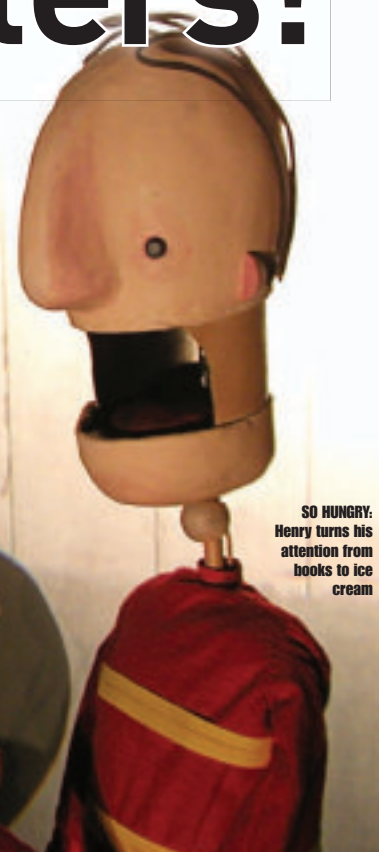
Sadly, the *Incredible Book Eating Boy* was on for one day only. 8/10

**Rod Kitson**

The children's festival runs until April 18 at various venues. More information and full listings at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/festivals](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/festivals)



**NEW FACES:** masked actors in interactive performance



**SO HUNGRY:** Henry turns his attention from books to ice cream



## Local residents' Preview for Cutty Sark Saturday 21 April 2012, 10.00 - 16.00

The Cutty Sark Trust is pleased to provide local Greenwich residents with the opportunity to be one of the first to visit the ship.

Please visit [ring.co.uk/cspreview](http://ring.co.uk/cspreview) and enter promo code **CSPREVIEW** to register and book a time to attend.

Please note, places are limited so book early to avoid disappointment.

Voluntary charitable donations will be collected on behalf of *The Mission to Seafarers*.

Proof of Greenwich residency and booking confirmation will be required on the day.



## Poetry on the water

**ONE** of the best nights of the year, undoubtedly, is *Poetry on the Water*, hosted by the Greenwich Poetry Workshop.

This year it'll be on Friday, May 4, at 7pm at Greenwich Yacht Club, and top guest will be **Patience Agbabi**, who'll be reading from her latest project, *The Canterbury Tales Revisited*.

Patience will tell how: Roger of Ware meets the Reveller; The Wife of Bafa meets husband No 5; and the contract killer meets his match.

This is contemporary Chaucer: gritty, funny, upbeat, below-the-belt stuff from one of Britain's best younger poets. And the yacht club is one of those places where you never need send for an ambiance. You just have to be careful you don't launch yourself aft.

An example of Patience's stuff? Try these magical words: "At twelve I learnt about The Fall, had rough-cut daydreams based on original sin, nightmares about the swarm of thin-lipped, foul-mouthed, crab apple-masticating girls who'd chase me full throttle: me, slipping on wet leaves, a heroine in a black-and-white cliché; them, buzzing on nicotine and the sap of French kisses. I hated big school but even

more, I hated the lurid shame of surrender, the yellow miniskirt my mother wore the day that that man drove my dad's car to collect me. She called my name softly, more seductive than an advert. I heard the drone of the engine, turned and ran."

I'm there already.

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**IT was one of his first assignments as a reporter on the Kentish Independent more than 40 years ago, and now GT's PETER CORDWELL re-interviews guitarist Gordon Giltrap ahead of his local return...**



**WE MEET AGAIN:** Gordon, main pic, in 2012. Right, Cordwell's 1968 piece in the Kentish Independent



FORTY-FOUR years ago, give or take an octave, I went to Gordon Giltrap's house on Crooms Hill to accompany him to Transatlantic Records' office uptown somewhere.

We were about the same age, 20 or soon to be 20, and it was all very exciting because Gordon was on the verge of joining the record label of his (and my) guitar hero, Bert Jansch. I played the cool reporter on the day – from the Kentish Independent – but fooled no-one, whereas Gordon, who turned 64 last week, already possessed a certain aplomb.

Forty-four years later - give or take a strophic form - I'll be in the audience at Charlton House on Friday April 20 to enjoy the tonic of Gordon's music once again. He'll be playing a St George's Day gig at Charlton House, and I caught up with him in Sutton Coldfield in the West Midlands. "Blimey, it's been a while..." I thought as Gordon recalled playing his ultra-speedy instrumental 'Fast Approaching' over tea and ginger-nuts in his front room in 1968.

"I still play it" he said. "In fact, I played it on Saturday in a duo I've formed with a classical guitarist. And I'll tell you what, Pete, it's still hard to play!"

He added: "I don't look back on my life but look at it as it is now really. But, touch wood, I'm still healthy and doing a job that I love with a terrific

family and terrific friends. I suppose I've built up a body of work and a certain respect for what I do. I hasten to add that I've never made a lot of money!"

He's not bitter about it, and admits he has changed very little.

"I think in the early days I was a very driven person and think to a certain extent I still am. I still want to be a better guitar player, writing better tunes and making better albums. I was ambitious, not to make money but to get recognition from the people I respected like Bert Jansch and John Renbourn."

When Gordon met his hero, he wasn't disappointed – in fact, they became pals. "I became close friends with Bert," he

added. "I'm still mourning his death last October. His compositions were sheer genius. I was in awe of him up to the day he died. And how sad that his wife Loren died six weeks after his funeral."

Gordon's been married to his second wife Hilary for 25 years. Between them they have five children and eight grandchildren. He looks back on an album he made in 1997, Troubadour, as probably his most creative. "I teamed up with Del Newman, a fantastic string arranger who worked with everyone, including Elton John," he said. "The albums that made my name were Visionary, and Perilous Journey in the Seventies when I had a hit with the single Heartsong."

Still going strong, Gordon is working on a prog rock album – No. 36, give or take a binary form – with Oliver Wakeman, son of Rick. "It's a very important project for me, probably the most important of my career," said the musician. "It's early days, but I've got a name, 'Ravens and Lullabies'." No doubt we'll hear from it at Charlton House - and about Gordon's own range of acoustic guitars. Brian May's got one and loves it, so has Midge Ure. Aplomb, you see.

*Gordon Giltrap plus guests, Charlton House, Friday, April 20, 7.30-10pm. Tickets £6 on the door from 7pm. More on 020-8858 9497*

# 'S ON

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*Compiled by GRACE LIPSKI*

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A record of this application may be inspected at the Greenwich Council offices by appointment. The application includes the specific days and times applicable to each proposed licensable activity between the above dates.

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# Good signs for the future

## Deaf pupils take centre stage at London film screening

**STUDENTS from Thomas Tallis took centre stage at the Southbank Centre when they showcased a film with a script made from extracts of over 50 poems created by deaf young people.**

The visual poet Richard Carter and spoken word poets John Agard and Grace Nichols also performed some of their work.

Funded by Royal Greenwich, the project, called Life & Deaf is a speech and language project run in schools as part of the national curriculum. This project, run by Katie Ford of the Life & Deaf Association,

aims to develop deaf children's self-esteem and communication in signed, spoken and written languages.

Katie Ford director of Life & Deaf said of the performance: "The evening was a great success. We know from the feedback we have received that the audience found the performances and the film 'inspiring', 'thought-provoking' and 'moving'. Many audience members, including parents and siblings, left with a better understanding of the thoughts and feelings experienced by young deaf people ... their 'voices' were truly heard."

As well as the performance on March 29 there is a Life & Deaf

exhibition of poetry and photography by the students at the Royal Greenwich Picture House through April and May, and there'll be a special feature on the project on the BBC 2's SeeHear programme on Wednesday, April 25 at 1pm.

Cllr Jackie Smith, cabinet member for Children & Young people in Royal Greenwich, said "We are very proud of the work our young people have done and to achieve this showcase at the Southbank Centre is a credit to the hard work they and Life & Deaf have put in to achieve this"

● **Details of the Life&Deaf project at www.lifeanddeaf.co.uk.**

# It's great outdoors

YOU don't have to look past Greenwich to experience the great outdoors this spring, writes Dan Stephens.

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There are a number of Green Chain walk events held in Royal Greenwich this spring, including regular rambles at Charlton Park, Oxleas Wood, Well Hall Pleasance and Maryon Wilson Park.

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Royal Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Edition 282

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## How do I apply?

1

### Get on the list

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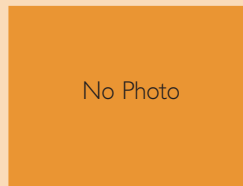
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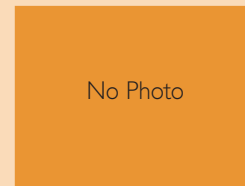
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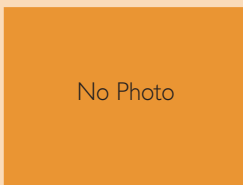
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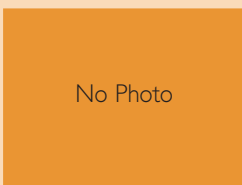


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Rad C/H Unlifted  
**£104.52pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 156563  
**Grovebury Road SE2**  
2 Bed 2nd Floor Flat  
Lifted Rad C/H  
**£88.10pw** Bands A&B

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283**  
**available on  
Wednesday  
18 April 2012**



Ref Number: 156765  
**Alnwick Road SE12**  
3 Bed House  
Gdn Rad C/H  
**£115.39pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 156926  
**Gavestone Road SE12**  
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
Unlifted Rad C/H  
**£98.32pw** Bands A&B



Southern Housing Group Ltd

Ref Number: 156963  
**East Carriage Hse, Royal  
Carriage Mews SE18**  
1 Bed 6th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry ph Rad C/H  
No pkg Pref to over 30's  
**£106.34pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 156983  
**Garland Road SE18**  
1 Bed 2nd Floor Flat  
Unlifted Rad C/H  
**£84.89pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 157023  
**Commonwealth Way  
SE2**  
2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Rad C/H  
**£88.58pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 157043  
**Knee Hill Cres SE2**  
1 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Entry phone Rad C/H  
**£78.58pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 157087  
**Sandling Rise SE9**  
1 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
Unlifted Entry phone  
Combi Boiler & 1 Rad  
**£89.59pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 157089  
**Bracondale Road SE2**  
2 Bed House  
Gdn Rad C/H No Pkg  
**£102.86pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 157092  
**Long Walk SE18**  
2 Bed Basement Mais  
Rad C/H  
**£93.14pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 157094  
**Commonwealth Way SE2**  
2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Rad C/H  
**£88.58pw** Bands A&B



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## GreenwichHomes

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Housing For Women Assoc.

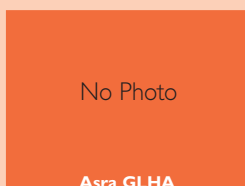
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**Beaconsfield Road SE3**  
Bedsit Grnd Floor Flat  
Entry phone Rad C/H  
No dogs Pref to over 40's  
**£104.80pw** Band C



Ref Number: 156623  
**Sovereign House  
Europe Road SE18**  
2 Bed 6th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phone  
Min 1 chld any age  
**£109.36pw** Band C



Ref Number: 156925  
**Well Hall Road SE9**  
1 Bed 8th Floor Flat  
Lifted Rad C/H  
Pref to over 50  
**£89.28pw** Band C



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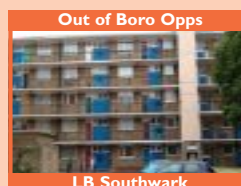
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Ref Number: 156964  
**Berthon Street SE8**  
2 Bed House  
Gdn Rad C/H  
1 alloc pkg No dogs  
Max 1 chld under 16  
**£136.70pw** Band C



Housing For Women Assoc.

Ref Number: 157084  
**Clothworkers Rd SE18**  
1 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phone  
Rad C/H No dogs  
**£88.42pw** Band C



Out of Boro Opps

LB Southwark

Ref Number: 157174  
**Micawber House  
Llewellyn Street SE16**  
2 Bed 3rd Floor Flat  
Lifted Rad C/H  
**£103.96pw** Band C

## Seaside and Country Scheme

This scheme offers one and two bedroom flats and bungalows on the Coast and in the countryside, in the South East and West of England.

In order to be considered you must be:

- A Council or Housing Association tenant
- At least 60 years old (if someone is moving with you they must be over 55 years old).

Your removal costs will be met if you are a Council tenant and you do move to a Seaside and Country home. To register, or find out more about the scheme, contact the Access and Allocation section on Tel: 020 8921 2941

If you are a Housing Association tenant you need to contact your landlord to register. Further information is available from the scheme management organisation at [www.housingmoves.org](http://www.housingmoves.org)

## Affordable Homes

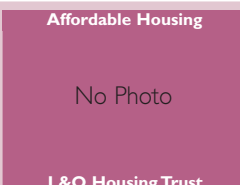
Please note any Housing Association properties advertised in this way will have a higher rent charge



Affordable Housing

Gallions HA

Ref Number: 155782  
**Wigeon Path SE28**  
1 Bed 2nd Floor Flat  
Unlifted Ent ph. Rad C/H  
Over 40s no dogs.  
**£121.85pw** Band C



Affordable Housing

L&amp;Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 157194  
**Vernham Road SE18**  
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat Unlifted  
Rad C/H No dogs Pref. to  
couple/1 chld ovr 18yrs  
**£152.39pw** Band A&B



Ref Number: 155964  
**Tom Smith Close SE10**  
1 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Entry phone Rad C/H  
**£109.37pw** Band C



Ref Number: 156564  
**Corelli Road SE3**  
1 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
Unlifted Rad C/H  
**£98.55pw** Band C

## Important Notice

Please note the closing date to register your bids for advertised properties will be **every Sunday at midnight.**

## Mutual Exchange Swapping your home

Council and Housing Association Tenants can exchange their property with another tenant. From April 2006 applicants who have registered for a mutual exchange will be able to find suitable swaps through the Greenwich Homes website [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes).

For more information about this scheme contact the Allocations Team on

**020 8921 2941**

Applicants  
over 50+  
can apply



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# GreenwichHomes

Royal Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

## Important Notice

### Changes to the rents and tenancies of some advertised housing association properties.

#### Affordable Housing

Currently the rent level for the properties you see advertised in Greenwich Homes is significantly lower than full market rents in private sector housing.

From now you will now be seeing some housing association properties advertised for higher rents, up to eighty percent of the market rent. These rents will also include the service charge that you will need to pay for the property. We will use the phrase Affordable Housing on the adverts to help you identify these properties.

#### Please note the Council will continue to advertise all the homes it owns at the standard rent level.

You can bid for properties advertised as Affordable Housing in exactly the same way as for other advertised properties. If you are successful the housing association may want to check you have enough income to pay the higher rent, whether you are working or on benefits. If you are currently a housing association tenant the rent you pay on your present home will not be affected by this change.

#### Fixed term tenancies

You will also notice that the tenancies for Affordable Housing and some other housing association properties may now be for a shorter period than the present lifetime tenancies offered by housing associations. The phrase Fixed term tenancy will be used in the adverts to identify these properties. The tenancy details will be explained to you if you are successful when you view the property.

**Please think about these changes when bidding for an Affordable housing property and make sure you can afford the home that you choose.**

### This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 279

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Brookhill Close SE18 4HF	3	HOUSE	83	07/01/2011	B
Dene Hole House Wickham Lane SE2 0XL	2	FLAT	29	14/12/2011	B
Kidbrooke Grove SE3 0LF	3	FLAT	34	09/04/2010	B
Pettacre Close SE28 0BX	1	FLAT	46	21/05/2008	B
Coleraine Road SE3 7PF	2	FLAT	51	27/07/1980	A
The Heights SE7 8JJ	1	FLAT	45	25/05/2009	B
Middle Park Avenue SE9 5QR	0	FLAT	238	20/10/2009	C
Wordsworth House Woolwich Common SE18 4HS	2	FLAT	23	31/05/2011	B
Polebrook Road SE3 8QS	1	FLAT	44	05/06/2008	A
Ormsby Point Vincent Road SE18 6RN	2	FLAT	426	25/08/2009	C
Lord Warwick Street SE18 5QB	1	FLAT	506	18/02/2006	C
Claymill House Raglan Road SE18 7HX	2	FLAT	357	17/11/2009	C
The Mound SE9 3BX	1	FLAT	204	24/10/2008	C
Christchurch Way Greenwich SE10 0AB	1	FLAT	65	22/08/2011	B
Villas Road SE18 7PN	2	FLAT	32	10/11/2011	B
Polthorne Grove SE18 7AS	2	FLAT	21	11/03/2010	B
Polthorne Grove SE18 7AS	2	FLAT	13	07/02/2000	A
Ava House Polthorne Grove SE18 7AS	2	FLAT	412	17/02/2009	C
Ravens Way SE12 8HB	0	FLAT	275	09/04/2008	C
Ava House Polthorne Grove SE18 7AS	2	FLAT	22	16/06/2009	C
Ava House Polthorne Grove SE18 7AS	2	FLAT	16	06/01/2012	B
Bissextile House Bliss Crescent SE13 7RH	2	FLAT	16	08/09/2011	B
Ava House Polthorne Grove SE18 7AS	2	FLAT	10	25/02/2009	C
Ava House Polthorne Grove SE18 7AS	2	FLAT	10	08/05/2009	C
Wordsworth House Woolwich Common SE18 4HS	1	FLAT	36	29/03/2010	B
Middle Park Avenue SE9 5QR	0	FLAT	189	01/10/2009	C
William Court Greenwich High Road Greenwich SE10 8LF	2	FLAT	50	15/10/2001	A
Lolland House Maryon Road SE7 8DF	2	FLAT	350	20/04/2009	C
William Court Greenwich High Road Greenwich SE10 8LF	2	FLAT	29	28/04/2009	B
William Court Greenwich High Road Greenwich SE10 8LF	2	FLAT	539	28/03/2007	C
William Foster Lane DA16 3AT	2	FLAT	429	07/06/2007	C
William Court Greenwich High Road Greenwich SE10 8LF	2	FLAT	24	01/01/2009	B
William Foster Lane DA16 3AT	2	FLAT	16	29/09/2010	B
William Court Greenwich High Road Greenwich SE10 8LF	2	FLAT	17	13/12/2011	B
Corbridge House Throwley Close Abbey Wood SE2 9LB	2	FLAT	20	08/02/2011	B
William Court Greenwich High Road Greenwich SE10 8LF	3	FLAT	47	23/03/2011	B
St Domingo House Leda Road SE18 5QW	1	FLAT	443	06/08/2008	C
William Court Greenwich High Road Greenwich SE10 8LF	2	FLAT	506	22/05/2002	C
Middle Park Avenue SE9 5QN	1	FLAT	38	22/04/2010	B
Mountjoy Close SE2 9XS	2	HOUSE	68	10/07/2006	C

## For information or assistance

Contact our Allocations Team on:  
020 8921 2941 Email: [housing-allocations@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:housing-allocations@greenwich.gov.uk)

## GreenwichHomes adverts

*Greenwich Time* is now being published 50 weeks a year and is delivered to all residents. GreenwichHome adverts are included in every issue.





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**Royal Borough of Greenwich**  
**Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (AS AMENDED)**  
**Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990 (AS AMENDED)**  
**Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Regulations 2007 (AS AMENDED)**  
**Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007 (AS AMENDED)**

Notice is hereby given that application(s) have been made to The Royal Borough of Greenwich in respect of the under mentioned premises/sites. You can see the submissions and any plans during the hours of 9.00am to 4.30pm Monday to Thursday and 9.00am to 4.00pm on Fridays at:-  
Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT  
or at the library shown between normal opening hours.

If development proposals affect Conservation Areas and/or Statutorily Listed Buildings under the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (As Amended) this will be shown within the item below.

Anyone who wishes to comment on these applications should be made in writing to Development Planning within 21 days of the date of this notice.

Please quote the appropriate reference number.  
Date: 10/04/2012  
Mika Hews - Chief Planning Officer

**Publicity For Planning Applications**

**Applicant:** C/O Agent Foster Lomas  
**201 PLUM LANE, PLUMSTEAD, LONDON, SE18 3HQ**  
**Development:** Demolition of existing conservatory, formation of a full conversion including the insertion of roof lights, erection of a single storey rear extension, and alterations and extension to existing garage, together with the replacement of existing windows.  
**Drawing Numbers:** P/L001, P/L002, P/L003, P/L004, P/L005, E/04/001, P/P/001, P/P/002, P/P/003, P/P/004, P/P/005, P/S/001  
(See Location Plan) and Design and Access Statement.  
**Library:** Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT  
**Conservation Area:** SHERWOOD PARK ESTATE

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**Drawing Numbers:** P/L001, P/L002, P/L003, P/L004, P/L005, P/L001, P/L002, P/L003, P/L004, P/L005, P/S/001 (See location plan), Design and Access Statement and Email dated 22 March 2012.  
**Library:** Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT  
**Conservation Area:** SHERWOOD PARK ESTATE

**Applicant:** Mr Onuora  
**GROUND FLOOR FLAT, 19 ST JOHNS PARK, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7TD**  
**Development:** Enlargement of ground floor rear window.  
**Drawing Numbers:** 178 (S, BA, OT, Site Location Plan (S) and Design Statement.  
**Library:** Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT  
**Conservation Area:** BLACKHEATH

**Applicant:** Mrs Patricia Gillard  
**26 HEATHWAY, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7AN**  
**Development:** Construction of a first floor front extension and conversion of garage into habitable room.  
**Drawing Numbers:** T/P1, T/P2, T/P3, T/P4, T/P5 (See S, T/P6 Rev B and Brick Sample Sheet.  
**Library:** Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT  
**Conservation Area:** BLACKHEATH

**Applicant:** Mr Mark Grimson  
**54 ROSS WAY, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 6RL**  
**Development:** Installation of replacement upper windows and front door.  
**Drawing Numbers:** Allocated No.1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, Photographs (S), Brochure detail, Design & Access Statement and site plan.  
**Library:** Eltham Library, 2 Archery Road SE9 1HA  
**Conservation Area:** PROGRESS ESTATE

**Applicant:** Mr Teach Somerville  
**122A PLUMSTEAD COMMON ROAD, PLUMSTEAD, LONDON, SE18 2UL**  
**Development:** Construction of a first floor rear extension and erection of a roof extension on the building to create additional living space.  
**Drawing Numbers:** 16/ST-01, 16/ST-02, 16/ST-03, 16/ST-04, 16/ST-05, 16/ST-06, 16/ST-07, 16/L-03, 16/L-04, Site location plan, Design and Access Statement and letter dated 19th March 2012.  
**Library:** Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT  
**Conservation Area:** PLUMSTEAD COMMON

**Applicant:** Mr Richard Robinson  
**64 BRAND STREET, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8SR**  
**Development:** Construction of a single storey rear and side extension and enlargement of rear lightwell.  
**Drawing Numbers:** 00a/21/01, 02, 03, Design & Access Statement and Site plan.  
**Library:** West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BN  
**Conservation Area:** WEST GREENWICH

**Applicant:** Mrs Kim Perry  
**41 FOYLE ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7RQ**  
**Development:** Construction of a single storey rear infill extension and installation of a rear dormer window.  
**Drawing Numbers:** DPP/SD/12/01/01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, Design & Access Statement & Site plan.  
**Library:** Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT  
**Conservation Area:** WESTCOMBE PARK

**Publicity For Advertisements**

**Applicant:** Rod Ward SIGN 2000  
**3 CRESCENT ARCADE, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9EJ**  
**Development:** Installation of 2 externally illuminated fascia signs.  
**Drawing Numbers:** C-GREENWICH - 1A and Site plan.  
**Library:** West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BN  
**Conservation Area:** WEST GREENWICH

**Applicant:** Stonegate Pub Company  
**THE RUCTIONEER, 217-219 GREENWICH HIGH ROAD, GREENWICH, SE10 8NB**  
**Development:** Installation of externally illuminated fascia, externally illuminated hanging sign and 3 internally illuminated poster signs.  
**Drawing Numbers:** Allocated Drawing Number: 01, 02, 03, 04, Site Location Plan, Photograph, Sign Specification and Trough Lighting Details.  
**Library:** West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BN  
**Conservation Area:** WEST GREENWICH

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Please quote Ref: RACH

## ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14(1)

### TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE - ANCHOR AND HOPE LANE AND BUGSBY'S WAY

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal  
Borough of Greenwich has made an Order to facilitate  
roundabout reconstruction works in Anchor and Hope  
Lane and Buggby's Way. The effect of the Order will be  
to temporarily prohibit vehicles from entering, exiting,  
proceeding or waiting (including waiting for the purposes  
of loading or unloading) in:-  
(a) Anchor and Hope Lane;  
(b) Buggby's Way, between its junction with Woolwich Road and  
its junction with Buggby's Way (including the  
roundabout at that junction);  
(c) between its junction with Buggby's Way  
(including the roundabout at that junction) and the  
southern extremity of Anchor and Hope  
Lane; and  
(d) Buggby's Way, between its junction with Anchor and  
Hope Lane (including the roundabout at that junction)  
and its junction with Lombard Wall.

2. The above prohibitions will only apply at such times and  
to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the  
appropriate traffic signs. Vehicular access to properties  
affected by these works will be maintained whenever  
possible subject to the extent and operations of the works.

3. Traffic affected by the closure of:-  
(a) Anchor and Hope Lane (between Woolwich Road and  
Buggby's Way) will be diverted via Woolwich Road,  
Gallions Road and Buggby's Way and vice versa;  
(b) Anchor and Hope Lane (between Buggby's Way and  
Riverside) will be diverted for access purposes only,  
via:-  
(i) Buggby's Way, Lombard Wall and Riverside; or  
(ii) Buggby's Way, Broadbank Road, Wilbraughly  
Way, Lombard Wall and Riverside; and  
(c) Buggby's Way (between Anchor and Hope Lane and  
Lombard Wall) will be diverted via Buggby's Way,  
Broadbank Road, Wilbraughly Way, Lombard Wall,  
Riverside and Anchor and Hope Lane, and vice versa.

4. The Order will come into force on 12th April 2012 and will  
continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works  
have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it  
is expected that the works will be completed by 12th April  
2012.

5. Queries concerning these works should be directed to  
Greenwich Council's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise  
& Skills on 020 8921 5473.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation  
The Woolwich Centre,  
35 Wellington Street,  
SE18 6HQ

Dated 10th April 2012  
(INTERNAL REF: 10270000)

ROYAL Borough of  
GREENWICH

## Next week's GT is out on Apr 17

## ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14(1)

### LONDON OLYMPIC GAMES AND PARALYMPIC GAMES ACT 2006 - SECTION 14(4)

#### OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES - TEST EVENTS AT ROYAL ARTILLERY BARRACKS: TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE - CIRCULAR WAY

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal  
Borough of Greenwich, with the consent of the Olympic  
Delivery Authority and Transport for London has made an  
Order to facilitate Olympic and Paralympic test events to  
be held at the Royal Artillery Barracks venue. The effect of  
the Order will be to temporarily prohibit vehicles, except  
those specified in paragraph 3 of this Notice, from entering,  
exiting, proceeding or waiting (including waiting for the  
purposes of loading or unloading) in Circular Way.

2. The above prohibition will only apply at such times and  
to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the  
appropriate traffic signs.

3. Only pre-authorized vehicles will be permitted to enter  
Circular Way to access the restricted-use parking area.  
Emergency services vehicles will only be permitted to enter  
Circular Way to attend an emergency in that road.

4. Whilst the prohibition specified in paragraph 1 to this  
Notice is in operation, traffic should follow local directions  
as indicated by traffic signs.

5. The Order will come into force on 15th April 2012 and will  
continue in force until the end of 7th May 2012.

6. Queries concerning these works should be directed to the  
Royal Borough of Greenwich's Directorate of Regeneration,  
Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 5589.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation  
The Woolwich Centre,  
35 Wellington Street,  
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## ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14(1)

### TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES - WESTMOUNT ROAD

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal  
Borough of Greenwich has made an Order to facilitate  
resurfacing works in Westmount Road. The effect of the  
Order will be to temporarily prohibit vehicles from:-  
(a) entering, exiting, proceeding or waiting (including  
waiting for the purposes of loading or unloading)  
in Westmount Road, for up to lengths of 20 metres  
north and 20 metres south of its junction with  
Rochester Way; and  
(b) waiting (including waiting for the purposes of loading  
or unloading) in Rochester Way between its junction  
with Westmount Road and the common boundary of  
Nos. 592 and 594 Rochester Way.

2. The above prohibitions will only apply at such times and  
to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the  
appropriate traffic signs. Vehicular access to properties  
affected by these works will be maintained whenever  
possible subject to the extent and operations of the works.

3. Whilst the road closures specified in paragraph 1(a) of  
this Notice are in operation affected traffic will be diverted  
either via:-  
(a) Westmount Road, Well Hall Road and Rochester Way,  
and vice versa;  
(b) Rochester Way, Well Hall Road, Eltham High Street  
and Westmount Road, and vice versa; or  
(c) other local routes using certain lengths of Glesne  
Road and Darnley Road,  
all as indicated by traffic signs.

4. The Order will come into force on 10th April 2012 and will  
continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works  
have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it  
is expected that the works will be completed by 12th April  
2012.

5. Queries concerning these works should be directed to the  
Royal Borough of Greenwich's Directorate of Regeneration,  
Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 5375.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation  
The Woolwich Centre,  
35 Wellington Street,  
SE18 6HQ

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# SPORT

## Big signing for CAFC community trust...

HALF-TIME at the Valley on March 31 saw the Charlton Athletic Community Trust sign a contract with the council to provide term time youth services in the borough, *writes Ella Statham*.

Charlton is the first football community trust to be awarded a local authority youth service contract. The signing was the culmination of consultation and discussions on the best way to run the youth service in the Royal Borough of Greenwich.

The users of the service have been consulted on how the youth hubs and activities will run, the Greenwich Young People's Council has been consulted and heavily involved in the decision-making, offering feedback to improve the provisions. Charlton also conducted a large survey with young people from right across the borough to work out the most popular activities, the best times to run them and the best venues.

Charlton will run activities at the four youth 'hubs' across the borough. These will be open throughout term time, running activities including sports, arts, dance and music. There will be a wide range available so there will be something on offer for everyone. As well as these regular events at youth hubs Charlton

will run one off activities at other locations across Greenwich. Greenwich Young People's council representatives said: "We are really excited about using the hubs and can't wait for the activities to start."



IT'S A DEAL: Charlton Athletic Community Trust sign the contract as DJ and TV presenter fan Dave Berry, left, looks on

## JJ climbs the rankings

by Peter Cordwell

**ELEVENTH** best in the world – that's our "JJ", Jonathan Webb, the super fencer who celebrated the achievement the day after his 16th birthday in the Olympic Stadium in Moscow.

JJ, who lives in New Eltham, came 11th from 81 of the world's best fencers at the Under 17 World Sabre Championships on March 31.

As usual, JJ soon left some victims in his wake. In the opening poules he defeated, Correa Vila (Columbia), Quintero (Venezuela), Safarov (Azerbaijan), Lambert (Canada) and Takeshita of Japan to be ranked sixth overall for the competition. He then went on to the direct eliminators to defeat Rowley of Australia 15-9 in the 64s, and the Ukrainian Lysenko in the last 32.

In the last 16 he came up against Platanov, another Ukrainian, and at the half way break JJ was 8-7 up, but the Ukrainian came out strong and won the bout 15-11, finishing our lad's winning run.

Two weeks earlier Jonathan finished 13th at the European Championships. Out of his five international competitions this season he has had three top ten finishes and two top 16 placings, consistency has cemented his position on the world circuit.

His mum Tina told GT: "We were not able to attend the worlds, but there was a live link to the scores

which was very exciting. JJ was asked to stay out in Moscow and fence as the reserve for the Under 20 world team event on April 6.

"We are immensely proud of what JJ has achieved. When we spoke to him he was disappointed as he felt he could have gone further. It's this drive, determination and dedication that has brought him his success to date. He has only been fencing for four and a half years, so when it sinks in he will realise 11th in his first ever World Championships is a very good result."

"Greenwich Starting Blocks have supported JJ over the past two years and his gym membership this year has proved to be invaluable to his training."



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## Central forward

Community centre launched at the Valley



IT'S A WINNER: TV and radio presenter Berry cuts the ribbon to officially open the Valley Central community centre by Peter Cordwell

**VALLEY Central, the new community centre based at the Valley, got a VIP launch on Thursday, March 29.**

Mayor of Royal Greenwich Jim Gillman joined Charlton Athletic Community trustee Paul Elliott and Charlton-born TV and Capital Radio presenter Dave Berry, who cut the ribbon to open the centre.

A number of activities took place during the evening to showcase the centre's attractions. Cllr John Fahy, cabinet member for culture and Olympics, took advantage of the health checks on offer in one of the consultancy rooms, while Dave Berry and Paul Elliott took part in a live radio broadcast with the Charlton Live team.

A PS3 FIFA 12 competition also took place, along with quit smoking sessions for those seeking advice and support.

The centre, managed by the Charlton Athletic Community Trust, will offer a range of health, education and youth services to the local community. Located opposite the Valley Superstore in the north-west corner of the stadium, the new project will focus on health, fitness and wellbeing.

Dr Hilary Guite, director of public health and wellbeing, said: "With this centre catering both for adults and for young people it gives us a great opportunity to bring together those generations and to share some positive experiences as well as having things specifically for older people and for younger people. This centre allows us that flexibility."

Matt Horne, Valley Central manager, said: "Following lots of hard work by all of our partners it's fantastic to get the centre up and running and it will be a huge benefit to the local community."

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